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LOCAL NEWS.

It pays to advertise in the Item.

The Wright reunion will be held at Mapleton September 5th.

The annual picnic of the Sherman Sunday school will be held in Posten's grove in Smith valley next Saturday. All welcome.

The Huntingdon citizens' picnic will be held Thursday, August 27, at Rhododendron Park, about one-half mile from Saxton.

Reedsville defeated Huntingdon's brag base ball team on the Huntingdon grounds yesterday afternoon by a score of 6 to 4. It was a good game.

$5.00 will buy 100 lbs Granulated Sugar at Huston's at Saltillo if $7.00 worth of goods are bought at the same time, flour, feed and fertilizer excepted.

Photographic post cards of Mapleton scenery in large variety for sale at the Item office. View of Mapleton cemetery, during Memorial services, May 30, 1908, is included in the display. We have other post cards in great profusion at popular prices.

Application has been made for the establishment of a postoffice at Vale, two miles from Robertsdale, three miles from Broad Top City and four miles from New Grenada. Alice Everhart, whose address is Robertsdale, has been recommended for appointment if the office is established.

J. M. Cutshall, an aged resident of this county, died ot the home of his son, Rush Cutshall, Three Springs, Sunday night. He was a native of Springfield township and was a good Christian man. Among his surviving children are Jere B. and Peter B. Cutshall, of Huntingdon, Allen and Rush Cutshall, of Three Springs. He was an uncle of Mrs. R. C. Fields, of Mapleton. The remains were interred yesterday afternoon in Springfield township.

A colony of about eighty Hungarians arrived in Mapleton late Monday evening from near Cassville where they had been employed on the pipe line. They were bound for Alliance, Ohio, but being unable to get their checks cashed here they were obliged to wait until yesterday when they went to bank at Mount Union and had their checks converted into cash. Several women and children were in the colony and these were quartered at the hotel during the night while most of the men paraded the streets until morning. By yesterday noon arrangements had been made for their leaving and on train No. 89 a special car was provided and at 1.24 they proceeded westward.

Summer complaints and other serious ailments common in hot weather can be traced to the stomach in nine times out of ten. Keep the stomach in good order right now by keeping a bottle of Kodol handy in the house all the time, but especially during this month. Take Kodol whenever you feel you need it. That is the only time you need to take Kodol. Just when you need it; then you will not be troubled with sour stomach, belching, gas on the stomach, bloating, dyspepsia and indigestion. Sold by G. W. Wright.

The annual picnic of the citizens of Petersburg will be held at Lakemont Park on Tuesday, August 18. The picnic train will leave at 8.30 in the morning, and thus give other Huntingdon county people a chance to get the benefit of the fare which will be 85 cents (half fare for children) the round trip from Petersburg to Altoona. The train will leave Altoona at 7 in the evening and be in plenty of time to make the Branch at 8.22 at Petersburg. Any additional information can be had by corresponding with F. L. Stewart, secretary, Petersburg.

Does your back ache? Do you have sharp pains in the side and the small of the back? This is due, usually, to kidney trouble. Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They will promptly relieve weak back, backache, rheumatic pains and all Kidney and Bladder disorders. Sold and recommended by G. W. Wright.

The little attacks of stomach trouble and stomach disorders will undoubtedly lead to chronic dyspepsia unless you take something for a sufficient time to strengthen the stomach and give it a chance to get well. If you take Kodol in the beginning the bad attacks of Dyspepsia will be avoided, but if you allow these little attacks to go unheeded it will take Kodol a longer time to put your stomach in good order again. Get a bottle of Kodol to-day. Sold by G. W. Wright.

News of the Churches.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rev. J. H. Ake, pastor—Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, led by the pastor.

Sunday school at 9.30 a. m. next Sunday.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rev. Edwin A. Snook, pastor—Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Sabbath school at 9.30 a. m. next Sunday.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH, Rev. T. H. MacLeod, pastor.—Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. M. F. Robley, leader.

Choir practice Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Sunday services: Sunday school at 9.30, and preaching at 10.30 a. m; Christian Endeavor at 3 p. m.

Union services in the Park Sunday evening at 6 30 conducted by Rev. Edwin A. Snook, sermon by Rev. J. H. Ake. Should the weather be unfavorable for out-door services, the meeting will be held in the Presbyterian church at 7 o'clock.

Mrs Albert M. Parker.

Mrs. Emma Blanche Parker, wife of A. M. Parker, died at her home, corner of Sherman and Main streets, Mapleton, at 6.15 o'clock, Tuesday evening, August 11, 1908, of dropsy, resulting from asthma and heart trouble.

Mrs. Parker was a daughter of the late William and Margaret Himes and was born at Allegheny Furnace, Blair county, April 26, 1850, being at the time of her death aged 58 years, 3 months and 15 days. In 1851 her parents moved to Bell's Furnace in Shirley township and about 1860 moved to the lock north of Mapleton where they subsequently died. November 22, 1866, she was united in marriage to Albert M. Parker and her married life has all been spent in Mapleton. To them were born three sons and two daughters all of whom survive. They are Mrs. John G. Gillam, of Huntingdon, William A. and Arthur F., of Juniata, L. Lloyd and Mrs. Alda Hohman, of Mapleton.

About thirty-six years ago Mrs. Parker became a subject of asthmatic trouble from which she has since been a constant sufferer. Heart trouble resulted and dropsy ensued. About three years ago she had nervous prostration and during the past two years has been unable to leave her home. At times her sufferings were intense but through it all she was more concerned about the welfare of others than for herself. She was a stranger to selfishness and when her strength was needed to sustain her she was spending it in planning for the welfare and comfort of those she deemed more unfortunate. It would be impossible to conceive a stronger devotion on the part of a wife and mother than was characteristic of Mrs. Parker and it is gratifying to note that this attachment was as unselfishly reciprocated. Many friends who have been the objects of her solicitous benefactions now rise to call her blessed, and mingle their tears with those of her immediate family in mourning the death of this good woman.

The remains will be interred in Mountain View cemetery to-morrow afternoon. Services, conducted by Rev. T. H. McLeod, assisted by Rev. J. H. Ake, will be held at her late home at two o'clock.

Mrs. Jesse S. Pheasant.

Mrs. Jesse Pheasant, of Smith valley died Monday morning at 9 o'clock of eclamsia after an illness of but twenty-four hours duration. Deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George W. Chilcote, of Union township. She was aged 48 years and is survived by her husband, four sons and six daughters, also by one brother, Miles F. Chilcote, of Union township, and two sisters, Mrs. George Shoop, of Altoona, and Mrs. Edward Smith, of Curwensville. She was a good woman who will be sadly missed in the community, and the grief-stricken family have our warmest sympathy in their bereavement. The remains were interred this morning at the cemetery at Bowman's chapel.

While Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup is especially recommended for children, it is, of course, just as good for adults. Children like to take it because it tastes nearly as good as maple sugar. Its laxative principle drives the cold from the system by gentle, natural, yet copious action of the bowels. Sold by Geo. W. Wright.

PERSONAL NOTES.

—Rev. T. H. MacLeod was a visitor at Huntingdon yesterday.

—Miss Ruby MacLeod returned from Latta Grove on Saturday.

—Miss Myrtle McLeod spent Sunday with friends at Wayne, Mifflin Co.

—Guy Bigley, of Spruce Creek, spent a few hours Sunday in town.

—Mrs. O. C. Chilcote spent Saturday with friends in Mount Union.

—Peter Finniff, of Mill Creek, died Sunday from tubercular trouble.

—Mrs. Lou A. Dell visited her mother, Mary J. Hooper, at Huntingdon on Sunday.

—Miss Lillian Miller, of Huntingdon, called on friends in town Tuesday evening.

—Dale C. Wright, of Henderson township, spent Sunday with friends in Mapleton.

—Mrs. Joseph A Parks, of Tyrone, spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Speer.

—Mrs. Philip Pheasant, of Huntingdon visited her brother, J. C. Estep, in town Sunday.

—Miss Maud Barkley, one of the Item's compositors, is off duty this week nursing a very sore hand.

—Mrs. Augusta Hawn, of Mill Creek, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Swope on Sunday.

—Mrs. Howard Mock, of Duncansville, spent last Thursday with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Montgomery.

—Rob Roy Rex has returned to his home here after visiting for a month among friends at Pittsburgh.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'Connor returned home Friday morning from a two weeks' sojourn at Asbury Park.

—Jesse DeForrest and wife, of Monongahela City, were Sunday visitors at the home of S. B. Neice and family.

—Mrs. Cyrus S. Brown, of Brady township, died Monday. At this writing we are without further particulars.

—Miss Charlotte Goodman, of Mill Creek, spent Saturday with Mrs. Narcissa Goodman and son on Main street.

—Miss Nellie Goodman had as her guests last Sunday Mr. Verden Speck and Miss Martha Hawn, of Mill Creek.

—Miss Dora Bigley, of Tyrone, is a welcome visitor at the home of Mrs. B. B. Shore and other relatives in town.

—Mrs. E. E. Querry, of Altoona, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Smith, on Monday and Tuesday.

—W. E. Johnston, of near Newton Hamilton spent Monday in Mapleton as the guest of his sister, Mrs. Charles Slates.

—Mr. and Mrs. Shumaker, of McConnellstown, visited their daughter, Mrs. E. L. Buchanan, during a portion of the past week.

—Mrs. Harry Stell, of Calamity Hill, Juniata township, was a Sunday visitor to Mapleton, being the guest of Alvin Decker and wife.

—Dr. J. G. Spangler on Monday accompanied a patient from Newton Hamilton to Philadelphia for treatment at one of the city hospitals.

—Miss Esther Carbaugh, of Newton Hamilton, was entertained over Sunday by her friends, Miss Tillie E. Neice and Miss Olive M. Coder.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright, of Colfax, were guests of their son, G. W. Wright and family, Saturday at the picnic at Riverside Park.

—T. S. Rossiter and family, who had been visiting Mrs. Nancy Simpson at Mill Creek, returned to their home in Philadelphia last Saturday.

—Ross Beale and wife, of Altoona, and Miss Julia Craig, of Huntingdon, were visitors at the home of Allred Brumbaugh and wife during the week.

—Mr. H. D. Winters and Mrs. Katherine Wicks, of Williamsport, stopped with Mapleton friends from Sunday evening until Monday afternoon.

—Mrs. B. F. Moore and daughter, Arlene, and Mrs. Isaac Roher and son, Albert, of Mount Union, spent a few hours Saturday evening with Mapleton friends.

—L. V. Postlethwaite, of Newton Hamilton, attended the picnic here last Saturday and in the evening spent a couple hours with his life-long friend, A. M. Parker.

—Mrs. N. A. Skipper returned home last Friday from Shade Gap, whither she had been summoned the week before on account of the death of her father, William Snyder. Mr. Snyder died Saturday, August 1st and is survived by his wife and several adult children.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dick, Mr. and Mrs. James McClay, of Huntingdon, and Miss Myrtle Nycum, of Everett, were guests at Locust Lodge last week.

—Mrs. George L. Smith, who has been an invalid for a number of years, was taken to Riverside Park Saturday where she enjoyed several hours at the union Sunday school picnic.

—Mrs. L. A. Himes and Mrs. T. J. Swiler and daughter, of Mill Creek, visited friends in this vicinity Saturday and attended the union Sunday school picnic at Riverside Park.

—Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Fleck had as their guests last Saturday Mrs. Elizabeth Isenberg, Mrs. M. W. Isenberg and Miss Dorothea Postlethwaite, of Huntingdon, Mrs. Eliza Work and Miss Maud Rarick, of Altoona.

—William E. McConahy, a machinist of Philadelphia, son of the late J. E. McConany, of Mapleton, arrived in town Monday evening to visit friends. Yesterday he went to Tyrone to see his brother and will return to Mapleton.

—Mr. and Mrs. Amon L. Walls, of Johnstown, arrived in Mapleton Monday evening and will remain two or three weeks in this vicinity. Mr. Walls is a native of Cass township and their many friends are always glad to see them.

—Charles Moore, assistant to Agent J. G. Hicks, had full charge of the office during Mr. Hicks' absence on a western trip, and discharged every duty to the satisfaction of the company as well as to his superior who is again at the helm.

—Mrs. W. J. Taylor, of Brule, Nebraska, returned Saturday from a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. A. F. Wagner, at Wilmington, N. C. Mrs. Taylor is on a protracted visit east and the principal part of her time is being spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Walker, of Latta Grove.

—Charles Wise, who had the bones of his right leg broken in an accident at the Juniata Sand Company's quarry on May 28th, was able to be taken in a buggy to Riverside Park last Saturday, where he was greeted by his many friends, all of whom were pleased to learn of the improvement in his condition.

—F. E Kyle and son Frank, of Pittsburgh, arrived in Mapleton last Friday and remained until Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Jane Kyle, and his uncle, J. C. Estep. Mrs. Kyle, who for some time has not been enjoying good health, accompanied her son to Pittsburgh where she will make her home with him.

—J. G. Hicks arrived home Thursday evening after a strenuous trip of twenty days in which he visited friends as far west as Anaconda, Montana. Mrs. Hicks and daughter, Miss Margaret, who are on a protracted visit west, will arrive home next Monday, while their son Herbert will tarry with friends in northern Illinois until about September 1st.

—Norval W. Greenland, Cassville's popular potter, was in Mapleton Monday booking orders for his ware. Nearly every merchant in town gave him an order for crocks to be delivered the latter part of the week. Mr. Greenland's ware sells on its merit and all that is necessary for the agent is to go over the territory and book the orders. His crocks are always in demand.

—Mrs. J. W. Weston, of Altoona, and John D. Long, of Harrisburg were summoned to Mapleton Sunday to see their mother, Mrs Elizabeth Long, who fell Saturday off the high porch in front of her residence on Grant street. In the fall she sustained a serious cut on the side of her head. She had sufficiently recovered to be taken yesterday to Mrs. Weston's home.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Jones and daughter, Bessie, of Philadelphia, came to Mapleton Saturday and remained until Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rex. Mr. Jones is employed in the auditing department of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mrs. Jones will be better remembered by the older residents of Mapleton as Mollie Attlebarger, part of whose girlhood days were spent in this community. They have many friends here.

—Charles O'Connor, a former assistant at this station, on Saturday went on duty in the baggage room at Huntingdon where he will do extra duty for the next two weeks. E. I. Coder, also a former assistant at this station, served as extra at Tyrone Forge one day last week. Both these young men were laid off several months ago when the company was reducing the working force on its system but will be reinstated just as soon as business will justify it.

Veteran Association To Meet at Riverside Park.

The Annual Meeting of the Huntingdon County Veteran Association will be in Riverside Park at Mapleton on Saturday, the 12th day of September, 1908, at ten o'clock a. m. The object of this Association is to secure and preserve the personal history of every man who entered the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil War, from Huntingdon county, or who, having entered the service from some other state or county, afterwards became a citizen of Huntingdon county. Comrades are urged to form organizations for this purpose in each township and borough and come prepared to suggest the name of a comrade who can and will take charge of this work in his district. Comrades are requested to bring their wives and families along and be prepared to enjoy a picnic in the woods after our business meeting is ended. It is also proposed to organize an Historical Society for Huntingdon county at this time and all persons specially interested in the local history of the county are requested to meet with us.

T. W. MYTON, President.
S. F. FORGEUS, Secretary and Treasurer.

Union Picnic a Great Success.

The union picnic held at Riverside park last Saturday under the auspices of the Mapleton Sunday schools was a great success in every particular. The weather was delightful and the grounds were in fine condition, made so by the labors of the members of the Mapleton band and base ball teams, aided by willing hands of many others. About 9.30 o'clock the Sunday schools met at their respective churches and, headed by the band, a procession was formed and marched to the ground. The railroad company safeguarded the Bridge street crossing by placing Fred Hoffman there as watchman and this added an element of safety which relieved anxious parents and was much appreciated by all the people. All industries suspended operations, the stores closed their doors most of the day and everybody entered into the festivities of the day in true holiday style. The crowd was augmented by many people from the surrounding townships and a large delegation came up from Newton Hamilton. By noon there were near a thousand people on the ground and the abundance of provisions indicated that such a thing as a business depression was unknown in this vicinity. Boating and various games were indulged in by those so inclined but the interest of the great majority of the crowd centered in the ball games, both of which were between the Mapleton and Newton Hamilton teams, and both of which were won by the Mapleton team. The games were well contested all the way through. Some brilliant plays were made and costly errors were few. The first game was umpired by J. M. Brininger and the second by Loy McCarl and their decisions were approved by the players of both teams but one or two of the spectators took occasion to express adverse opinions and this interference brought upon them the maledictions of the players and the indignation of the great majority of the onlookers. The score of the games was as follows:

FIRST GAME.

Mapleton	R	H	O	A	E	N. H'milt'n	R	H	O	A	E
Cowher, c	1	2	3	0	2	Sechrist, ss	0	1	4	0	1
McHugh, ss	1	1	3	0	3	Bollinger, cf	0	0	4	0	0
T. Bailey, p	1	1	4	0	1	Snook, 1b	1	0	4	0	0
Quinn, 1b	1	0	2	0	0	Hill, 3b	2	3	2	0	1
Barclay, rf	1	0	3	0	0	Watts, rf	0	0	3	0	0
Baker, cf	1	1	4	0	0	Gray, 2b	2	1	1	0	1
Wagner, 2b	1	1	4	0	0	Brouse, lf	1	0	2	0	0
Brininger, 3b	2	4	1	0	2	Fields, c	1	0	3	0	2
E. Bailey, lf	2	0	0	0	0	Gearhart, p	0	0	4	0	0
	10	10	24	0	8		7	5	27	0	5

Mapleton	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	7	x	11
Newton Hamilton	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	6

SECOND GAME.

Mapleton	0	2	2	0	0	1	2	3	x	10
Newton Hamilton	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3

The shadows of night had fallen deeply before the beautiful grove was deserted but the people as they wended their ways homeward expressed satisfaction at the outcome of this the first union picnic that had been held in Mapleton for many years, and hoped that many more of the same character may follow.

Three Wards in Mt. Union.

J. Murray Africa, E. F. Gould and E. S. McCarthy, constituting a commission appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions, have divided Mt. Union into three wards. Unless objections are filed, the court will approve the report at September term, and at the November election the citizens of Mt. Union will vote at three places instead of one, as heretofore. There are 640 names on the registry list in Mt. Union this year.

STRIKERS FIRE ON A TRAIN

Poured Volley of Shots Into Special Bearing Non-Unionists.

THREE KILLED; ELEVEN INJURED

Placed Log Across Track In a Cut, But Engineer Put On Full Steam As Bullets Began to Fly and Rushed Through—Dogs Took Trail Directly Through Woods to Union Headquarters at Blocton, Ala.—Eight Negroes Under Arrest—More Soldiers Sent to the Scene.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 10.—Three men were instantly killed and eleven injured, two of whom will probably die, when striking miners fired into a passenger train on the Birmingham Mineral railroad at Blocton.

The dead are: Conductor Joe T. Collins, O. Z. Dent, deputy sheriff, and Willard Howell, a non-union miner.

Among the injured are: Major E. H. Dodge, superintendent of safety, Tennessee Coal company, wounded in the hand and leg; E. E. Cox, superintendent of mines, Tennessee Coal company, slightly wounded in knee, and A. E. Cross, chief clerk, superintendent's office, wounded in the arm and knee.

The train was a special, bearing non-union men to the Blocton mines under guard of soldiers and deputies. On the outskirts of the town the engineer suddenly saw a log across the track, and at once a fusillade was fired into the train. The engineer did not stop, but let the cow-catcher throw the log from the track and put on full speed. The place where the attack was made was in a cut, the ground being on a level with the lower part of the windows. The assailants behind the rocks above poured down a murderous fire directly into the windows and at the engineer. Practically every window in the train was broken, and shots struck all parts of the engine and cab. The train proceeded to Blocton and the dead and injured were returned to Birmingham. Dogs were hurried to the scene, and took trails through the woods directly to the union headquarters. Eight negroes were arrested and other arrests are expected.

Conductor Collins came here from Washington four years ago. The body was sent to Frederick, Md., for interment.

Governor Comer held a hurried conference with Lieutenant Colonel Hubbard, commanding the militia, and another company was hurried to Blocton.

The trouble has caused widespread indignation, and a general demand is being made that more vigorous steps be taken looking to the preservation of order. While no disturbances have been reported in the district, other than the Blocton affair, the situation is regarded as the most grave since the inauguration of the strike over a month ago.

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TWO POLICEMEN BEATEN TO DEATH

Were Set Upon and Killed While Looking For Chicken Thieves.

Methuen, Mass., Aug. 10.—Covered with bruises indicating that they had been beaten to death in the performance of their duties, the bodies of Charles H. Emerson and Frank McDermott, members of the Methuen police department, were found on the outskirts of this town. The two officers were sent out Saturday night in an effort to catch petty marauders, who for some time past have been robbing chicken yards and vegetable gardens. When the officers failed to report for duty Chief of Police Jones at once organized searching parties. The bodies of the two officers were found lying half concealed in some bushes in the Beat meadow.

McDermott's head was crushed in and there were many ugly bruises on Emerson's body, indicating that both officers were beaten to death by some blunt instruments, presumably two blood-stained stones which were found nearby. The bushes were spattered with blood and trampled, evidently by a struggle.

Charged With Robbing Mails.

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 10—J. I. Holly, of this city, a railway mail clerk, was arrested here by Deputy Marshal Laurish and placed under $1000 bail by United States Commissioner Wolf charged with robbing the mails. Marked money was found on him and identified as having been sent out in a decoy letter. There have been frequent thefts of money from mail between New York and Pittsburg of late and the postoffice authorities believe they have one of several persons responsible for it.

Young Horseman Thrown to Death.

Laurel, Del., Aug. 10.—While Boynton, the sixteen-year-old son of Robert Jenkins, was breaking a young horse to the saddle for his sister's use, he was thrown by the horse against a tree and instantly killed.

Zeppelin's Airship Destroyed.

A dramatic end came to Count Zeppelin's long-awaited endurance flight in his monster dirigible balloon, and the proud airship which was cutting rapidly through the air and outdistancing pursuing automobiles, lies in an open field near Echterdingen, Germany, a mass of twisted, useless metal.

The airship had left Nackenheim, the scene of its first mishap, and over night had visited Mayence and begun on the homeward journey. Misfortune overtook it soon after its departure and it was found that the front motor was working badly owing to the fusing of metal in the groove in which the piston rod ran.

Over Echterdingen Count Zeppelin decided to land.

The balloon swayed to and fro, sometimes raising a few feet from the ground. A formidable gust of wind struck the airship broadwise. At first the craft heeled over, and then her bows rose in the air, carrying with them a number of soldiers holding the ropes. After poising for a moment at a height of fifty feet, the airship came crashing to the ground. With a thunderous report the forward motor exploded. From the bows of the balloon shot forth a livid flame, while from the rear escaped thick clouds of black smoke, which caused the entire structure to disappear from the view of the thousands of spectators. When the air cleared the balloon was seen lying in an open field on a high plateau, with only the ragged, tangled strips of the aluminum envelope still remaining. The metal stays and bands and portions of the motors were strewn about in pieces like old iron, and blackened with smoke and scorched.

Pastor's Wife Sues Woman.

In the Chester county, Pa., common pleas court, Mrs. Martha Sampson, wife of Rev. Maurice Sampson, pastor of the German Reformed Church in Spring City, brought suit against Mrs. Mary Keeley, a prominent woman of that borough, on the charge of alienating the affections of the preacher. Mrs. Sampson asks for damages in $50,000. The papers in the case were served by Sheriff Taylor, and bail has been fixed in the sum of $8,000.

Receiver For Thaw's Estate.

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States circuit court at Pittsburg by Attorney Charles Morschauser, of New York, who is representing Harry K. Thaw, of this city, who is now confined in the jail of Duchess county, N. J.

In the petition Thaw states that his assets are $128,012.38, and his liabilities $453,140.43.

Roger O'Mara, a well-known Pittsburg detective and personal friend of the Thaw family, was appointed as receiver. His bond was placed at $200,000, and John Newell and James W. Piatt, two prominent business men of this city, became security for Mr. O'Mara.

The most interesting information given regarding the proceeding is to be found in the petition asking for the appointment of a receiver in which it is alleged that the action is taken for the purpose of preventing his property being dissipated in litigation over claims, many of which are unjust.

Among the disputed claims are the following: John B. Gleason, New York, $80,000; Hartridge & Peabody, New York, $60,000; J. J. Graham, Newburgh, N. Y., $2954; Dr. Hammond, New York, $1000; Dr. Wagner, Binghamton, N. Y., $4040; Dr. Jelliffe, New York, $5245; Dr. Jones, Morristown, N. J., $6000; Martin Littleton, New York, $8075; Dr. Hamilton, New York, $12,000; Dr. Dana, New York, $1690.

Drowned While Fishing.

The drowning of James R. Hilton, thirty-five years of age, of Camden, N. J., near Debbs Thoroughfare, has been reported to the police of Atlantic City by Dr. Bayard Knerr, of Philadelphia. The physician and the drowned man went fishing on the former's yacht, and late in the day while hunting for clams and crabs Dr. Knerr saw Hilton struggling in the water some distance from where he was wading. Before the physician could reach Hilton he was swept away by the outgoing tide.

Family Killed By Lightning.

A special dispatch from Sparta, Allegheny county, N. C., brings the news of the death of an entire family at Edmonds, ten miles across the mountains from Sparta, by lightning. Frank Murphy, a farmer, his wife and young son, were in the fields stacking hay when the storm came up. They ran for shelter, but were struck down before they reached the house.

Survives 11,000 Volt Shock.

Enoch Round, an experienced workman at the plant of the Niagara Falls Power company, was shocked by 11,000 volts of electricity and he will live. While tracing out some cables Round accidentally leaned against one of the heavily charged transmission cables and sank to the floor unconscious. He was soon revived. His feet and the top of his head were burned.

WOULD AID THE FARMERS

President Names Commission to Probe Their Condition.

WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS

Four Experts Requested to Investigate the Social, Sanitary and Economic Conditions On American Farms and Suggest Methods of Improvement. Report Will Be Sent to Congress Next Year—Prof. L. H. Bailey, of New York College of Agriculture, Chairman of the Commission.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 10.—With a view to bringing about better social, sanitary and economic conditions on American farms, President Roosevelt has requested four experts on country life to make an investigation into the whole matter and to report to him with recommendations for improvements. The report and recommendations, with any additional recommendations which the president himself may desire to make, will be incorporated in a message which the president will send to congress probably early next year.

The men President Roosevelt has asked to act as an investigating committee are: Professor L. H. Bailey, of the New York College of Agriculture; Henry Wallace, of Wallace's Farmer, Des Moines, Ia.; President Kenyon L. Butterfield, of the Massachusetts Agricultural college; Gifford Pinchot, of the United States forest reserve, and Walter H. Page, editor of The World's Work, New York.

In a letter to Professor Bailey, asking him to accept the chairmanship of the commission, the president outlines his desires in the direction of improvements on the farms. The letter in part follows:

"No nation has ever achieved permanent greatness unless this greatness was based on the well-being of the great farmer class, the men who live on the soil; for it is upon their welfare, material and moral, that the welfare of the rest of the nation ultimately rests. In the United States I believe it to be true that the farmers in general are better off today than they ever were before. We Americans are making great progress in the development of our agricultural resources. But it is equally true that the social and economic institutions of the open country are not keeping pace with the development of the nation as a whole. The farmer is, as a rule, better off than his forebears; but his increase in well-being has not kept pace with that of the country as a whole. While the condition of the farmers in some of our best farming regions leaves little to be desired, we are far from having reached so high a level in all parts of the country. In portions of the south, for example, where the department of agriculture is directly instructing more than 30,000 farmers in better methods of farming, there is nevertheless much unnecessary suffering and needless loss of efficiency on the farm.

"We hope ultimately to double the average yield of wheat and corn per acre; it will be a great achievement; but it is even more important to double the desirability, comfort and standing of the farmer's life.

"It is especially important that whatever will serve to prepare country children for life on the farm, and whatver will brighten home life in the country and make it richer and more attractive for the mothers, wives and daughters of farmers, should be done promptly, thoroughly and gladly. There is no more important person, measured in influence upon the life of the nation, than the farmer's wife, no more important home than the country home, and it is of national importance to do the best we can for both.

"My immediate purpose in appointing this commission is to secure from it such information and advise as will enable me to make recommendations to congress upon this extremely important matter. I shall be glad if the commission will report to me upon the present condition of country life, upon what means are now available for supplying the deficiencies which exist, and upon the best methods of organized permanent effort in investigation and actual work along the lines I have indicated. You will doubtless also find it necessary to suggest means for bringing about the re-direction or better adaptation of rural schools to the training of children for life on the farm. The national and state agricultural departments must ultimately join with the various farmers' and agricultural organizations in the effort to secure greater efficiency and attractiveness in country life."

Good Idea.

"I have a very active mind."

"Why don't you train it to do some stunts then?"

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Aug. 16, 1908.

By REV. S. H. DOYLE.

Topic—Lessons from the sea.—Ps. cvii 23-32.

This psalm was written as a call to men to "praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men." He enumerates several instances in which men have found themselves in perplexing places and have called upon the name of the Lord, who has heard them and delivered them from their distress. One of these illustrations is taken from a shipwreck at sea. A great storm is described, and the sailors, at their wits end, call upon the Lord, and He delivers them out of their distresses. "He maketh the storm a calm; * * * then are they glad, * * * so He bringeth them to their desired haven." What better lesson could be taught us of God's providential care of His people than this—salvation from a storm at sea and deliverance from a watery grave?

Every element of the sea may also teach us useful lessons. The blessings of the sea to mankind are innumerable, and, coming from God's creation, they come from Him. The wonderful works of God are nowhere more manifest than in the sea and its relation to mankind and the physical world. Take the relation of the earth and the sea. The sea in mists constantly rising, which form into clouds and are blown over the earth and give it its water, is constantly supporting the life of the earth and of man and beast. But finally it runs back to the sea, carrying with it salt and other ingredients that keep the sea clean and pure. Otherwise the great oceans would be but stagnant pools, full of death and loathsomeness. What a wonderful arrangement of God and how forcibly it teaches us a great lesson on sacrifice! It is by giving out that we receive in return. The Dead sea has an inlet, but no outlet, and what is the result? It is dead, indeed. No life exists in it. A bird cannot fly over it without falling a fatal victim to its poisonous vapors. Give and ye shall receive.

Life is also well likened to the sea. In traveling over the sea we leave one harbor for another on a distant coast. We meet storms and dangers. We behold the constant restlessness of the sea. But if all goes well we reach our distant harbor. How like life this all is! Earth is the harbor from which we start, and heaven should be the harbor which we desire to reach. But how many storms there are in life! How many dangers! In the sea voyage of life we are "oft in danger, oft in woe." How much restlessness there is in life also—so many things unattained, separations from loved ones, so many trials and vexations, so many problems unsolved, all tending to make the heart and mind restless and disquieted. But the ocean liner has its pilot, and so have we as Christians over life's sea. Jesus, the Son of God, is our pilot, and if we trust Him fully no storm, no danger, no restlessness, will overcome us. He will make the storm a calm, and in gladness we through Him shall enter into our desired haven.

BIBLE READINGS.

Ex. xiv, 15-21; Neh. ix, 7-12; Job xxxviii, 1-11; Ps. lxv, 1-7; Isa xxiv, 13-15; Ps. lxxxix, 1-9; Matt. viii, 23-27; Acts xxvii, 21-26; Rev. xxi, 1.

Christian Endeavor Hall.

Facing the old military road in Santurce, four miles from San Juan, Porto Rico, stands the Blanche Kellogg institute, erected by the American Missionary association from the gift of the father of the noble young woman whose Christian life the institute commemorates.

This same generous giver has made another promise to pay a large sum toward a Christian Endeavor hall, provided others will give $4.000. The young people's societies of the Congregational church have felt that this is a golden opportunity to do a splendid work for the Master and have interested themselves in the cause.

The work of the institute is educational, and there is need for it. When

BLANCHE KELLOGG INSTITUTE AT SANTURCE, WHICH WILL CONTAIN THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR HALL.

Porto Rico was opened to American influence ten years ago 85 per cent of the population were illiterate. Of 660,000 persons over ten years of age only one in five could read and write his own language. In 1899 there were only eighty-seven Roman Catholic churches for a million people, and in the country districts every principle of morality in family life was violated. Endeavorers of the Congregational church and their friends will surely do their part to meet the great need at this point. Christian Endeavor has always been practical, and we feel sure that generous gifts will flow in to the American Missionary association for this work.

Christian Endeavor hall, which will be a part of the educational institute, stands for the uplift of the people, and every dollar given to it means the advancement of the cause of Christ in Porto Rico.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

Tuesday, August 4.

President Roosevelt will not attend the national encampment of the Spanish-American War Veterans at Boston during the last week of this month, as has been reported.

Michael F. Kane, a hotelkeeper of Mount Vernon, N. Y., died suddenly of heart disease while on his way on a Reading railway train from Atlantic City to Philadelphia.

During the month of July 669 babies under one year old died in Chicago, and most of these deaths, the health department believes, were the result of the ignorance of parents.

Wednesday, August 5.

Chicago reports three deaths and several prostrations due to the heat on Tuesday.

Charles W. Westerfeld, aged twenty-two, a clerk in the Produce Exchange bank, in New York, shot and killed himself in the basement of that bank.

Joseph D. Horner, formerly a member of the firm of J. D. Horner, Son & Company, straw hats, was found dead in bed with a bullet hole in his breast in his room at Baltimore, Md.

Robert H. Todd, who was Porto Rican delegates to the national Republican convention at Chicago, has been nominated by acclamation for the office of resident commissioner for Porto Rico at Washington.

Thursday, August 6.

George F. Larimer, seventy-three years old, who made the first Westinghouse airbrike, died in Pittsburg.

R. J. Hume, wife and children, of Eau Claire, Wis., were drowned in Lake Nabaganon, Wis., while attempting to cross the lake in a duck boat.

Henry Cartwright, a veteran English middle-weight, who fought with bare knuckles before King Edward when the king was Prince of Wales in the 50s, died at St. Louis, aged seventy eight years.

Continued brooding over the death of his favorite daughter, Anna, who died several years ago, it is believed led Robert S. Burr, aged seventy-one, a farmer living at Farmingdale, N. J., to swallow laudanum, that caused his death.

Friday, August 7.

While scuffling over the possession of a shotgun at Elgin, Ill., Victor Swanson shot his friend, Regnow Nelson, and then shot himself.

Unable to sleep because of the heat, Henry Thiele, of Jersey City, N. J., tried to end his life by shooting himself and is in a critical condition.

Captain D. G. Purse, a noted developer, industrial writer and promoter, and having connections in New York Pittsburg and other centers, committed suicide at Savannah, Ga.

Governor Stuart approved Nov. 11 as the date upon which the memorial to Pennsylvania regiments at Fredericksburg, Md., shall be dedicated, his approval being required by law.

Saturday, August 8.

The bottling works of Thomas J. Beck, at Harrisburg, Pa., was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of several thousand dollars.

Mrs. Eliza D. Stewart, the noted temperance advocate, and known all over the country as "Mother" Stewart died at her home in Hicksville, O.

Two negro children were killed, one was fatally hurt and one seriously injured when a double tenement at Camden, Ark., was blown up by dynamite.

Governor Stuart fixed Sept. 24 as the date for the execution of Francis M. Schuts, who killed his little daughter in Fairmount park, Philadelphia, and then tried suicide, and Raphael Peric, also of Philadelphia.

Monday, August 10.

For assaulting a three-year-old girl, Henry Johnson, colored, was hanged at Memphis, Tenn.

Smoke from a burning tobacco warehouse at New York overcame thirteen firemen, three seriously.

Six hundred men won a fight to save the famous Calaveras grove of big trees in California from a forest fire.

While gunning for groundhogs in lower Lehigh county, Pa., Milton Dorney, of Centre Valley, was seriously wounded by the accidental discharge of his gun.

While picking coal on the Pennsylvania tracks near Coatesville, Pa., Mrs. Mike Gembarche, a native of Poland, was struck by the Chicago limited and instantly killed.

Colored Masons to Build Home.

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 10.—The grand lodge of Colored Masons of Pennsylvania have purchased a sixty four-acre farm in the vicinity of Lingestown, near this city, and will establish a home. The farm will pass into their possession on Jan. 1. It will be the first home for colored Masons to be erected in this country.

ELMER DOVER RESIGNS

William Hayward Succeeds Him As Secretary Republican Committee.

New York, Aug. 10—Elmer E. Dover, of Ohio, has resigned his position as secretary of the Republican national committee and will become the secretary of an advisory committee which is to work with George R. Sheldon, treasurer of the national committee. William Hayward, of Nebraska City, Neb., who has been Republican chairman in his state for a number of years, has been appointed secretary of the national committee and will be given charge of the western headquarters at Chicago, in the absence of Mr. Hitchcock.

The advisory committee, which is to have charge of ways and means for the campaign, will work with Mr. Sheldon, and will consist of nine members. The men who are to be named will be prominent business men and financiers from various sections of the country, and will not be drawn from the ranks of the national committee. They will be men in touch with commercial conditions who have had experience in past campaigns with the needs of a party organization.

DIES FROM PET DOG'S BITE

Woman Had Every Symptom of True Hydrophobia.

Philadelphia, Aug. 10.—Bitten on the hand by her pet dog, eight weeks ago, Mrs. Annie Rule, aged thirty-five years, of 17 Mill street, Darby, died in great agony at the Philadelphia hospital of hydrophobia.

For twenty-four hours before she died she went from one convulsion to another. Her body became rigid, she frothed at the mouth, her teeth snapped and the sight of water sent her into paroxysms of hysterics. Her case was pronounced by the attending physicians to be one of the few cases of true hydrophobia that have come under medical observation in this city.

Mrs. Rule leaves four small children, the oldest of whom is only twelve years of age.

Immediately after her death permission was secured from her husband by the physicians for an autopsy to determine beyond question the cause of death.

PREVENTIVE OF DUST.

Calcium Chloride Tried on a Road in Washington.

Officials of the agricultural department have made experiments with the use of calcium chloride as a dust preventive, and the tests were attended with great success. A stretch of road in the city of Washington was selected for the trial, and in preparation for the treatment all dust and dirt were scraped from the surface of the roadway. A solution was prepared by mixing 300 pounds of commercial calcium chloride (granular, containing 75 per cent calcium chloride and 25 per cent moisture) with 300 gallons of water in an ordinary street sprinkler, care being taken to agitate the liquid thoroughly before applying it to insure a uniform solution. It was then applied from one sprinkling head, the sprinkler passing slowly back and forth over the road to facilitate the complete absorption of the solution.

Each application consisted of 600 gallons over an area of 1,582 square yards, or 0.38 gallons per square yard. A marked improvement in the condition of the road was noted at once, and after the second treatment it was necessary to repeat the operation only at isolated spots. The use of the water wagon, which had before made regular trips over the road, was abandoned as unnecessary. The texture of the road surface was completely changed after the application of the calcium chloride. Before treatment raveling was excessive in spots, and the whole surface seemed loosely knit together. After the second application this condition changed, and the road surface became smooth, compact and resilient.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

When you start out to show a man the error of his way you would better begin by taking a course in boxing.

Some people always seem just naturally suspicious, but that may be partly your fault.

A self made man is apt to think any change in his scheme is bound to be for the worse.

Band wagons are more popular this year than water wagons or airships.

Some fools are not as harmless as they look.

When an automobile breaks down three miles away from a repair shop, the children in the rear seats should close their ears until the first part of the storm rolls by.

Being a hero oughtn't to stand in the way of a man's success, but it often does.

An obstacle often proves merely an incident.

No man is really indifferent to his own interest, and he who seems so it will pay to watch.

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STONY POINT.

Threshing is a thing of the past in this vicinity.

Solomon Shaffer can boast of the finest field of corn in this community.

D. H. Heck is at Saltillo this week plastering the public school building.

G. D. Lynn, of Latta Grove, is putting up the stone wall for C. P. Querry's new house. George is a hustler and does good work.

A. L. Querry and sons are engaged making and hauling hay on the farm owned by the Green sisters on the Summit, in this valley.

What has become of the state road we are going to get through here? With the money already subscribed and the amount the state gives we think if the Union township dads would get up and hustle it would be but a short time until we would have a first class road from Mapleton to Latta Grove.

TODD.

Joseph Baker raised his new barn last week.

Mrs. Belle Keith, of Altoona, is visiting relatives in the valley.

Miss Esther Drake spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Zeno Heeter.

Mrs. Stuller and Mrs. Black, of Broad Top City, are visiting at Todd.

Mrs. Lillie Cooper, who is employed in Philadelphia, was at home over last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Curfman, of Altoona, spent a few days with his parents recently.

David Brumbangh and family, of Marklesburg, visited relatives at this place over Sunday.

The picnic held at the Grange Hall on Saturday was well attended and all had a nice time.

J. N. McClain and family and Miss Foreman, of Mount Union, were among the visitors at the picnic on Saturday.

Ralph, the infant son of Ethel Curfman, died on Saturday night, of cholera infantum. Interment in the Trough Creek cemetery on Monday afternoon.

LATTA GROVE.

Cool nights.

Mrs. May Long is on the sick list.

M. A. Bowman lost a valuable hog a few days ago.

Dr. G. W. Simpson was in our town on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Wilson preached at Latta Grove chapel on Saturday night.

A young son has come to make its home with Elmer Bowman.

Earl Lightner, of Salida, Colorado, is visiting relatives at Latta Grove.

Mrs. Isaac Dell visited frienda at Raystown Branch a few days last week.

Mrs. Mary Querry, of Beech Run, spent last week with Mrs. G. D. Lynn.

Earl Walker and lady friend attended the picnic at Trough Creek last Saturday.

Alda Long and lady friend of near Saltillo visited at J. H. Dell's Saturday and Sunday.

J. H. Stever and family and Miss Ruth Lynn spent Sunday with G. B. Querry's family at Querrytown.

Sunday school at Latta Grove next Sunday at 2 o'clock. The superintendent would like to see a full turn out.

Elmer Smith is making full time with his thresher; he is averaging two crops a day. Grain is turning out fairly good.

W. C. No. 662 will hold their annual picnic Saturday, August 22nd. Everybody is invited to come and spend the day with us.

TROUGH CREEK.

Martha B. Steel is visiting her son Lynn at Bellwood.

Wagon loads of goods arriving daily at Wright's store in Calvin.

Every one that wanted got huckleberries and lots are in the barrens yet.

Everyone that attended the P. O. S. of A. picnic at Calvin report a good time.

H. H. Bumgardner made a business trip to the county seat one day last week.

The oil company are now laying the pipe line through the farm of W. B. Curfman.

J. C. Shaffer, who has been an invalid for some time, is not so well at this writing.

Miss Julia Smith, of Juniata township, is a visitor to our valley, her former home.

Miss Alma Smith, of Woodland, Clear field county, spent some time with Mrs. Alice Mierly near Calvin.

Charles Stevens, one of Calvin's merchants, sets up the cigars now, all on account of a boy having come to stay at his home.

Dale M. Prough has returned home after spending his vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Roland.

Thomas Saylor has returned home after spending some time with friends near Williamsburg. He also returned at a late hour on the 9th from calling on his best girl.

Quite a number of farmers have thrashing done. Leslie Stever, who owns a farm near the old grist mill known as Buena Vista, had the most wheat we heard of, two hundred and eighteen bushels.

P. O. S. of A. District Convention.

The semi-annual convention of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Huntingdon county, was held last Friday at Calvin. The District President not being in attendance ex-District President J. G. Dell presided.

J. K. Wiley, of Camp No. 305, E. S. Gibboney, of No. 321 and W. A. Crotsley, of No. 350, were appointed a committee on credentials who reported the following delegates entitled to voice and vote in the convention:

No. 59, Mapleton Depot, Cecil O'Connor, B. Glen McMullen.

No. 305, Neelyton, J. K. Wiley.

No. 321, Huntingdon, E. S. Gibboney, H. S. Smith, J. O. Bergantz, T. S. Bratton, Allison McCall, C. H. Omo.

No. 350, Calvin, C. M. Glasgow, G. W. David, J. C. Pheasant, Chalmer Wright.

No. 512, Three Springs, E. S. Cornelius, A. R. Wible.

No. 662, Latta Grove, G. W. Taylor. Secretary, A. A. Wible.

Ex-District Presidents, I. N. Swope, 59; C. C. Brewster, G. W. Bunn, J. G. Dell, 321; W. A. Crotsley, 350.

J. O. Bergantz, E. S. Cornelius and J. K. Wiley were appointed a committee on resolutions.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous convention verbal reports were received from the delegates, all of which were of an encouraging character. They showed the Camps to be active, in a prosperous condition, and alive to the principles of the order.

E. S. Gibboney, of No. 321, was unanimously recommended for appointment as District President for the ensuing year.

A resolution was unanimously adopted making the committee on resolutions at future conventions to consist of ex-District Presidents.

I. N. Swope, C. C. Brewster and A. A. Wible were appointed a committee to prepare a form for public installation of district officers, and also a form of obligation to be assumed by persons recommended for district presidents to be signed by the past president selected, before the recommendation be forwarded to the State President.

Mapleton was unanimously chosen as the place for holding the next semi-annual convention, February 22, 1909.

The committee on resolutions presented its report which was adopted, after which the business session adjourned.

The ladies of the vicinity of Calvin had arranged to serve dinner to the convention in Spangler's grove in picnic style but the weather being somewhat inclement in the forenoon the idea was reluctantly abandoned and the dinner was served in the hall. And such a dinner! The choicest viands of Trough Creek's fertile farms, which is equivalent to saying the choicest food products that could be gathered under the canopy of heaven, prepared in the most appetizing manner known to the culinary art, and in such abundance as to astonish the town delegates, loaded the tables to their capacities. But neither the profusion nor their astonishment non-plussed the said town delegates. They rose to the occasion and partook to their capacity. It was a great feast and the gentle hands that prepared it received the thanks of the convention.

After dinner, the skies having cleared, all repaired to the grove where a public meeting was held. Addresses were made by G. W. Bunn, C. C. Brewster, W. A. Crotsley, E. S. Gibboney, C. H. Omo, and I. N. Swope, the topics having been previously selected by the programme committee.

The general opinion prevailed that the Calvin convention should be numbered among the best ever held in this county.

He Did His Best.

What may happen while red is being unwound is the obvious point of this story from *Judge* It was clear that the elderly man was from the country. For several minutes he stood on the sidewalk, gaping up at the top story of a tall trust company building across the way. Then he scratched his head and stroked his chin.

"Wa-al," he muttered, "it may be all right, I s'pose, but I might's well find out."

He crossed the street, pushed his way into the trust company offices and approached the nearest window. The brass plate over it was inscribed, "New Accounts."

"Well?" asked the man behind the window without looking up from his ledger.

"Wa-al," drawled the other, "it may be all right and correct, of course, but while I was looking over—"

"The bookkeeper'll fix that for you. Third window to the left."

After slight hesitation the man from the country made his way over to the bookkeeper's window.

"Well, sir, what can we do for you?" demanded the bookkeeper.

"Nothing. I do' know why they sent me over to you. I ain't got no account here. I was just wondering if you happened to know—"

"Information department," said the bookkeeper, brusquely. "Sixth window to the right."

The countryman started to say something, but the bookkeeper had resumed his writing, so the farmer walked over to the "information" window.

"Say!" he opened up, without waiting for an invitation. "You folks needn't be so flossy. I just wanted to tell your old company that their—"

"Complaint department. Last window, rear!" growled the clerk.

The countryman glared. For an instant he seemed undecided; then, his jaws set with determination, he strode down to the complaint window.

"Well, what's the trouble with you?" demanded the complaint clerk.

"Ain't none!" snapped the countryman. "I just wanted to say to your company that it appears to me as how their building is—"

But he got no further. "Fire! fire! fire!" came the cry from all parts of the building. Instantly everything became bustle and confusion.

"Humph!" grunted the disgusted countryman, as he followed the crowd out. "They'd 'a' known it half an hour ago if they'd only listened to me.

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Some Warm-Weather Salads.

"One of the prettiest of the luncheon or supper salads is made by cutting the top from a green pepper, removing the seeds with a knife or stick—they burn the skin if touched with the fingers—and filling the basket thus made with chicken or lobster salad," says Christine Terbune Herrick in the August WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION. "Each pepper may be placed on a lettuce leaf and crowned with a spoonful of mayonnaise. Another salad is prepared by hollowing a tomato and filling it with dice of cucumber, or peeling a cucumber, cutting it in half-length wise, scooping out the inside, and replacing this with dice of tomatoes. Serve either tomato or cucumber on a lettuce leaf, and garnish with cucumber ribbons. These are made by shaving the peel from the outside of a cucumber and then slicing this. Take a slice—it should be rather thick—and with a sharp knife cut this in a spiral, as you would pare an apple. The shaving must be very thin, as it is not long before the seedy center is reached, and only the flesh of the cucumbers will serve for the ribbons. Cucumber boats filled with shrimps are a satisfactory dish for a cold supper. Mayonnaise is served with this, or a good boiled dressing. The cucumbers halved and filled with other sliced or diced cucumber, served on lettuce, garnished with cucumber ribbons and with strips of the scarlet sweet peper cut very thin, make a good dish."

He Was a Man.

From the New York American.

In most things Bishop Potter was an aristocrat. And yet, in public affairs, he took sides with democracy advocating the rights of liberty. For the poor and distressed he ever had a sympathetic heart. He believed in charity, gave freely from his own purse, and loved those, whether Jew, Catholic or Presbyterian, who did likewise.

There was no canting insincerity about this man whose lips now are speechless. He stood up as straight as a trivet for his country and his religion. The priests taking instructions from him loved and revered him; worshipers of the good and beautiful both in life and in religion received inspiration from his lectures, his sermons and his prayers.

To his mind the greatest piece of literature contained in all the books of the world is the Sermon on the Mount. That was the lamp that led his feet into ways of personal rectitude and inspired him with religious fervor.

New York city particularly will miss this good man. For all time his memory will be cherished.

RURAL JOYS.

The cattle stand beneath the tress
And fight the flies the livelong day,
The meadow lark has ceased to sing,
The boboling has gone away,
The cherries ere they could be canned
Were siezed by birds as contraband.

The warm nights force the growth of corn,
The streams abound with infant trout,
The cabbage worm is trying hard
To knock the crop of sauerkraut,
And where we planted flowers last spring
We cannot fiud a single thing.

The city girl from far away
Has donned a brassy coat of tan
And squeals at little garter snakes,
Hoping to bring the only man,
The man himself is frightful mad—
He has hay fever very bad.

The mower of the ripened hay
While steering on the starboard tack
Ran on a nest of bumble bees
And wears a poultice on his back
The having's almost done at last,
Gee! How the summer's flying post.

—Chicago Daily News,

NOTICE—The Treasurer of Huntingdon County or his deputy will attend at the time and place specified in the following list for the purpose of collecting State, County and Dog Taxes for the year 1908:

Wednesday, August 5—Hopewell township, at Beaver Station, forenoon; Lincoln township at Entriken, afternoon.

Thursday, August 6—Part of Penn township, at Marklesburg Station, forenoon until 11 o'clock; Marklesburg at Garner's store from noon until 1.30 p. m.; Grafton and part of Penn township, at Grafton, 2 to 4.30 p. m.

Friday, August 7—Porter township at Barree Forge, forenoon, until 10.30; Logan township and Petersburg, at Petersburg from 11 a. m. to 8 p. m.

Saturday, August 8—Juniata township at Treasurer's office

Monday, August 10—Birmingham and part of Warriorsmark township at Birmingham until noon; Warriorsmark township at Warriorsmark, afternoon and evening.

Tuesday, August 11—Warriorsmark until 11 a. m.; Franklin township at Franklinville from noon until 7 p. m.

Wednesday, August 12—Spruce Creek township at Spruce Creek until 1.30 p. m.

Thursday, August 13—Morris township at Water Street, forenoon; Alexandria and part of Porter township, at Alexandria afternoon.

Friday, August 14—Walker township at McConnellstown.

Saturday, August 15—Smithfield township at Treasurer's office.

All taxable persons who pay their taxes to the Treasurer on or before September 15, 1908, will be allowed a reduction of 5 per cent.

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The Mapleton Item.

Mapleton Depot, Pa., August 14, 1908.

Hare's Valley Fifty Years Ago

BY JOHN M. DRAKE

I often think of this valley as it was fifty years ago when the writer was a boy. Since then there have been many changes, both in buildings and in the inhabitants. At that time some of the representative citizens were A. K. and J. H. Greene, G. W. Cohill, Christian Drake, James Norris, Jacob Crotsley, Maurice Green, John Walls, Thomas and Andrew Greene, Benjamin Fink, Henry Freed, Adram Taylor, Isaac Bowman, George Querry, Michael Dell, Arch Dell, Humphrey Chilcote, Amos and George L. Smith, Michael Querry, Samuel Dell, Michael Wright, John Shoop, Joseph Stever and Jacob Miller. Of course, there were many others; those who are here named have all past to the great beyond except one,—George L. Smith, now a resident of Mapleton.

There was but one bank barn in the valley, Jacob Crotsley's; J. M. Kean is the present owner. The lumber for new buildings was sawed on water power mills which had a long saw fitted in a frame in a perpendicular position, and as the old saying was, "it went up to-day and down to-morrow." Bare and Orbison lacated a stationery steam saw mill, about that time, just across the road from the Latta Grove school house. It remained only a year or two, and the cry was, "the timber is all destroyed" and what few railroad ties were being put in, raised another howl.

The roads are bad now, but they were worse then. Hauling was done on tar skeined wagons. A ton was considered a very large load for two horses. To make a trip from Knightsville to Mapleton with a load was considered a very hard day and they would start at four o'clock in the morning and get back sometimes as late as nine o'clock at night

Two churches were built about that time—Cornelius chapel, and one on the Apgar farm, known as the Stony Point church,—now torn down.

Farming was done in a very hard and slow way. Some tilled the soil with one horse and a hoker plow; corn was dropped in rows, as now, and covered with a hoe. It was cultivated with a single shovel plow, and three furrows were put in every row and anywhere from two to five hoers after the plow.

Wheat was sown broadcast and covered or plowed in with aforesaid plow, and was harvested with cradles, as they had recently taken the place of sickles. Much of the grain was hauled on sleds to the log barns or stacks, as many farmers did not own wagon .

Threshing was mostly done with two sticks strapped together, or tramped out with the horses. Buckwheat was considered a very important crop, as it could be grown with very little labor. As the land was nearly all newly cleared, a clearing was a part of nearly every man's work each year.

Sociability far exceeded the present times. Neighbors would visit each other regularly, go in the long winter nights and stay until ten or eleven o'clock. The men would talk of their exploits in wrestling, jumping, hunting, and even their pugilistic encounters, and of course, any fellow who told of his own encounters came out best. Witch stories were not neglected; it was amusing to the children to hear some of the old people relating their experiences with witches. The women would spend their evenings knitting or spinning, when they had company. Of course they didn't forget the exercise of their linguistic abilities, and those friendly calls would often wind up with a sumptous supper, and if the moon was not hanging out, you would see the visiting neighbor light his tin lantern with a tallow candle, and if he was not the happy possessor of a lantern, he would light a pne torch which was a very common thing in those days. They always assisted each other in all hard jobs of work and never once thought of charging for his services. It one man killed a pig, calf, sheep, or any other kind of meat, his neighbors all got a share, free of charge.

People in those days cared very little about fine clothes. Most of the wearing apparel was manufactured at home,—the product of the sheeps back and flax. They all looked more to comfort than to appearance. Most of the people made shoes from hides tanned at Cassville for their whole family every fall, and a pair of those shoes lasted the wearer a year, and if the lads and lassies wore their shoes out in less than a year they went barefooted the balance of the year. To be continued. Education will be the next topic.

Notifying Presidential Nominees.

The notifying of William H. Taft two weeks ago as the presidential standard bearer of the Republican party prompts some observations on the part of the venerable Erasmus Wilson of the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times as follows:

Is it any wonder an innocent, honest boy should ask why a man in this age of the world has to be notified of his nomination for president, or any other office? Doesn't he know it the moment it is done? And yet they have to be notified, and the notification meeting is only second in fuss and size to the naming or nominating meeting.

You can explain to the boy that it is a custom brought down from times when it meant a notification in fact, as well as in name.

Also that it gives a man an opportunity to notify the people of where he stands politically. They used to do this before the convention, but times are different now, which makes it seem as if, sometimes, they get the cart before the horse.

It hasn't been so long ago, not so long but what many of our readers can readily recall it, that presidential nominees did not know of the fact until visited by the committee designated to notify them.

It was no longer ago than 1849 that the first telegraphic message was flashed over a wire extending from Washington City to Baltimore. And it was well along in the 50s before there were any lines strung across the country.

And as for railroads there were none to boast of until the Pennsylvania was completed to Pittsburgh in 1852,

Up until that date rapid transit was made by horse power at about 10 miles an hour. Mounted couriers could make a little better time than that on good roads, but hardly more across the country. Besides, there were no river bridges, and few ferries, thus blocking courier service, unless life or death were at stake, and nomination for office was not a matter of such great seriousness.

Down about Jasper, Indiana, on the Ohio river, lives one of the old-time steamboat captains who ran the lower rivers back in the 40s. Anent the notification of Judge Taft that he had been named for president, the captain said to a friend who had called to smoke and talk:

"During the summer of '48 I was a passenger on the Alhambra, and we landed at Gen. Zachariah Taylor's plantation just below Rodney, Mississippi, to take on wood. We remained there for some hours and as soon as I landed I saw Gen. Taylor, with whom I got acquainted at Camp Salubrity some time before, just across the road over in an oats field, where he and several negroes were at work cradling and binding oats.

The general wore a broad-brimmed, low-crowned white fur hat, which were worn then by all the southern planters, a blue blouse, no shirt and blue pants. His hands and face were covered with dirt and black from the oats. When I called and said 'Hello, General, he at once recognized me and hailed me by saying, 'Hello, Wheelman.' He came over to the fence and for quite a while we talked of the days we spent together at old Camp Salubrity and of the second day of July, 1846, in particular, when we broke camp at Salubrity and I as pilot or 'wheelman' on board the Yazoo steered Gen. Taylor's entire garrison, heavy artillery and ammunition from Grand E-Core (meaning high bluff) landing to the famous battlefield of New Orleans six miles below that city.

"It was while we were sitting there on the fence recounting these experiences of ours, that a large boat all decked in holiday attire, flying flags and bunting, rounded into sight. As it came nearer, we heard the band playing and Gen. Taylor remarked that it must be a circus boat. As it approached a salute was fired (No boats in those days had whistles), the band struck up The Star-Spangled Banner, the bell began to ring and the vessel which was the Major Ringold (named for one of Gen. Taylor's men who had fought valiantly with him in the Mexican war), began rounding to land. When the general and I saw the boat was going to land, we got down off the fence, walked across the road to witness the landing, neither of us knowing or ever surmising the mission of the boat or its crew.

"When the landing had been made, and the stage plank lowered, the people by the score began coming out. The vast crowd was led by James Gutherie and George D. Prentiss of Louisville, Ky., who were followed by one Mr. Bluford. No sooner had Gutherie and Prentiss introduced themselves to Gen. Taylor, than Bluford, who was half-full and who had been a former schoolmate of Taylor's shouted: 'Hello, Zach,' and with an oath or two, ran up and embraced 'Old Rough and Ready,' who recognized Bluford with delight.

"When invited on board the boat Taylor begged to be excused on account of his dress and appearance, but Bluford, Gutherie, Prentiss and others, with loving arms around the old general, hurried him aboard, where he was officially notified in his every-day working attire, that the Whig party, in convention assembled, had nominated him as its candidate for the presidency.

"A reception was then held, where the dirty toiler of the field was introduced to the hundreds on board of the boat, for almost every passenger of the Alhambra had come aboard the Major Ringold. One of the features which impressed me most forcibly was the fact that every woman, regardless of her silk, satin and diamonds, wanted to kiss the dirty-faced old warrior.

"Before the reception was over, the bell of the Alhambra rang and the 150 or 200 of her passengers who were aboard the Major Ringold, had to leave the festive scene and hurry back to the Alhambra. That boat was soon on its way north, leaving the notification committee and the presidential candidate of the Whig party to enjoy the music and refreshments with which it seemed it was loaded down.

"This," concluded the captain, "was the most impressive scene of my whole life. Truly it was one instance of the nomination seeking the man and one instance where the notification committee really notified, the steamboat being then the fastest mode of travel as well as the fastest means of communication, the telegraph not having attained general use at this time."

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GROVE—In Penn township, Aug. 1, 1908, John P. Grove, aged 56 years.

RHODES—July 30, 1908, at his home in Portstown, John Rhodes, aged 44 years

DOYLE—At his home in Locke's valley, August 1, 1908, Sylvester A. Doyle, aged 59 years. Interment in Catholic cemetery in Shade valley. Rev. Father McQuillan, of Huntingdon, officiating.

HARTMAN—In Huntingdon, August 5, 1908, of paralysis, John Peter Hartman, aged 72 years, 1 month and 12 days.

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Two persons were killed and two others were severely injured by lightning during a severe and destructive electrical storm that swept over eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, causing much havoc. Robert Heimbach, a farmer, was struck and instantly killed near Lewisburg, Pa., while working in the fields, and Walter Cattell, aged seventeen years, was struck and killed near Glassboro, N. J. His sister, Mabel, and Rebecca Turner were also struck and severely injured, the latter being in a serious condition. Cattell, his sister and Miss Turner were seated under a shed watching the lightning, when a bolt hit the peak of the house and ran down a corner, across the floor and through the shed where they were sitting. The lightning broke the legs off the chairs and rendered the trio unconscious. The charge passed down Cattell's back, searing the spine, and he was dead when picked up. The shoes were ripped from the feet of his sister, but she recovered consciousness after a short time, but Miss Turner remained dazed for some time and is seriously ill from shock. One corner of the Cattell home was torn out by the bolt of lightning.

Buildings of all sorts were struck in various sections and destroyed and many districts suffered from flooding. Philadelphia in connection with the storm was pelted by one of the most severe falls of hail that has occurred in a number of years. Windows were broken, trees and shrubbery beaten and torn and much minor damage was done. Half a dozen runaways were reported to the police as a result of the storm. The hailstones were as large as hazlenuts, and when they came with terrific force upon the backs of horses standing in the streets the animals bolted, causing much minor trouble. The rain fell in torrents and in all sections cellars were flooded and overwashed.

Death Claims Senator W. B. Allison.

United States Senator William B. Allison, seventy-nine years of age, died at his home in Dubuque, Ia.

The immediate cause of his death was heart failure. The end came as a result of a serious sinking spell, due to a prostatic enlargement, complicated with kidney disease, and during a period of unconsciousness which had lasted since Saturday afternoon.

Two weeks ago the senator left his home in the city to escape the heat. He went to the home of Mrs. Fannie Stout, a friend of the family, living on the Asbury road a few miles from town. For a few days his condition seemed to improve, but he later began to grow worse. Medical advisers urged that an operation be performed to relieve the prostatic enlargement which was bringing his condition to a crisis.

Saturday morning the senator was brought back home. Soon afterwards he relapsed into a condition of semi-unconsciousness. Except for brief periods of partial recovery he remained in this condition until death came.

Coat of Mail Saved Sultan's Life.

A minor palace official at Constantinople of the sultan of Turkey rushed past the guard into the private apartment of the sultan and stabbed him in the breast.

The blow, it was asserted, was deflected by a coat of mail which the sultan always wears and caused only a bruise. The assailant was promptly arrested.

A large sum of money was found upon him and his baggage had been packed ready for flight. It is believed that he had been bribed to make the attempt on the sultan's life.

Said Pasha, the grand vizier, and the newly formed ministry have resigned. The sultan has accepted the resignation and invited Kiamil Pasha to form a ministry.

Discarded Lover a Suicide.

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 3.—Frank Ritter, of Port Jervis, scorned by his former sweetheart, Grace McLain, of Honesdale, and worked into a frenzy over her receiving attentions of another, killed himself with carbolic acid at her home.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

NUMBER ONE.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to consolidate the courts of common pleas of Philadelphia and Allegheny counties, and to give the General Assembly power to establish a separate court in Philadelphia county, with criminal and miscellaneous jurisdiction.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, That the following amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same are hereby, proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section six of article five be amended by striking out the said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 6. In the counties of Philadelphia and Allegheny all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the several numbered courts of common pleas, shall be vested in one court of common pleas in each of said counties, composed of all the judges in commission in said courts. Such jurisdiction and powers shall extend to all proceedings at law and in equity which shall have been instituted in the several numbered courts, and shall be subject to such changes as may be made by law, and subject to change of venue as provided by law. The president judge of each of the said courts shall be selected as provided by law. The number of judges in each of said courts may be, by law, increased from time to time. This amendment shall take effect on the first Monday of January succeeding its adoption.

Section 2. That article five, section eight, be amended by making an addition thereto so that the same shall read as follows:

Section 8. The said courts in the counties of Philadelphia and Allegheny respectively shall, from time to time, in turn, detail one or more of their judges to hold the courts of oyer and terminer and the courts of quarter sessions of the peace of said counties, in such manner as may be directed by law: Provided, That in the county of Philadelphia the General Assembly shall have power to establish a separate court, consisting of not more than four judges, which shall have exclusive jurisdiction in criminal cases and in such other matters as may be provided by law.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1.

ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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NUMBER TWO.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, allowing counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, or other municipal or incorporated districts, to increase their indebtedness.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That section eight, article nine, of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, reading as follows:—

"Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein; nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election, in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation," be amended, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article of said Constitution, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:—

Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed ten per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein; nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election, in such manner as shall be provided by law.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 2.

ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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NUMBER THREE.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing amendments to sections eight and twenty-one of article four, sections eleven and twelve of article five, sections two, three, and fourteen of article eight, section one of article twelve, and sections two and seven of article fourteen, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, and providing a schedule for carrying the amendments into effect.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following are proposed as amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:—

Amendment One—To Article Four, Section Eight.

Section 2. Amend section eight of article four of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:—

"He shall nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure, a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years, and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint; he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen, in offices to which he may appoint, during the recess of the Senate, by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session; he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen, during the recess of the Senate, in the office of Auditor General, State Treasurer, Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a judicial office, or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill; if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate, the Governor shall nominate to the Senate, before their final adjournment, a proper person to fill said vacancy; but in any such case of vacancy, in an elective office, a person shall be chosen to said office at the next general election, unless the vacancy shall happen within three calendar months immediately preceding such election, in which case the election for said office shall be held at the second succeeding general election. In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors, and, in confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor, the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and shall be entered on the journal," so as to read as follows:—

He shall nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure, a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years, and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint; he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen, in offices to which he may appoint, during the recess of the Senate, by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session; he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen, during the recess of the Senate, in the office of Auditor General, State Treasurer, Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a judicial office, or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill; if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate, the Governor shall nominate to the Senate, before their final adjournment, a proper person to fill said vacancy; but in any such case of vacancy, in an elective office, a person shall be chosen to said office on the next election day appropriate to such office, according to the provisions of this Constitution, unless the vacancy shall happen within two calendar months immediately preceding such election day, in which case the election for said office shall be held on the second succeeding election day appropriate to such office. In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors, and, in confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor, the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and shall be entered on the journal.

Amendment Two—To Article Four, Section Twenty-one.

Section 3. Amend section twenty-one of article four, which reads as follows:—

"The term of the Secretary of Internal Affairs shall be four years; of the Auditor General three years; and of the State Treasurer two years. These officers shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections. No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms," so as to read:—

The terms of the Secretary of Internal Affairs, the Auditor General, and the State Treasurer shall each be four years; and they shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections; but a State Treasurer, elected in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine, shall serve for three years, and his successors shall be elected at the general election in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in every fourth year thereafter. No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms.

Amendment Three—To Article Five, Section Eleven.

Section 4. Amend section eleven of article five, which reads as follows:—

"Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several wards, districts, boroughs and townships at the time of the election of constables, by the qualified electors thereof, in such manner as shall be directed by law, and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of five years. No township, ward, district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township, ward or borough; no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough, ward or district for one year next preceding his election. In cities containing over fifty thousand inhabitants, not more than one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district," so as to read:—

Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several wards, districts, boroughs or townships, by the qualified electors thereof, at the municipal election, in such manner as shall be directed by law, and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of six years. No township, ward, district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township, ward or borough; no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough, ward or district for one year next preceding his election. In cities containing over fifty thousand inhabitants, not more than one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district.

Amendment Four—To Article Five, Section Twelve.

Section 5. Amend section twelve of article five of the Constitution, which reads as follows:—

"In Philadelphia there shall be established, for each thirty thousand inhabitants, one court, not of record, of police and civil causes, with jurisdiction not exceeding one hundred dollars; such courts shall be held by magistrates whose term of office shall be five years, and they shall be elected on general ticket by the qualified voters at large; and in the election of the said magistrates no voter shall vote for more than two-thirds of the number of persons to be elected when more than one are to be chosen; they shall be compensated only by fixed salaries, to be paid by said county; and shall exercise such jurisdiction, civil and criminal, except as herein provided, as is now exercised by aldermen, subject to such changes, not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties, as may be made by law. In Philadelphia the office of alderman is abolished," so as to read as follows:—

In Philadelphia there shall be established, for each thirty thousand inhabitants, one court, not of record, of police and civil causes, with jurisdiction not exceeding one hundred dollars; such courts shall be held by magistrates whose term of office shall be six years, and they shall be elected on general ticket at the municipal election, by the qualified voters at large; and in the election of the said magistrates no voter shall vote for more than two-thirds of the number of persons to be elected when more than one are to be chosen; they shall be compensated only by fixed salaries, to be paid by said county; and shall exercise such jurisdiction, civil and criminal, except as herein provided, as is now exercised by aldermen, subject to such changes, not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties, as may be made by law. In Philadelphia the office of alderman is abolished.

Amendment Five—To Article Eight, Section Two.

Section 6. Amend section two of article eight, which reads as follows:—

"The general election shall be held annually on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto," so as to read:—

The general election shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each even-numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto: Provided, That such election shall always be held in an even-numbered year.

Amendment Six—To Article Eight, Section Three.

Section 7. Amend section three of article eight, which reads as follows:—

"All elections for city, ward, borough and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the third Tuesday of February," so as to read:—

All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election, as circumstances may require. All elections for judges of the courts for the several judicial districts, and for county, city, ward, borough, and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the municipal election day; namely, the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto: Provided, That such election shall always be held in an odd-numbered year.

Amendment Seven—To Article Eight, Section Fourteen.

Section 8. Amend section fourteen of article eight, which reads as follows:—

"District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen annually by the citizens. Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector, and each inspector shall appoint one clerk. The first election board for any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled, as shall be provided by law. Election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election, and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns, except upon warrant of a court of record or judge thereof, for an election fraud, for felony, or for wanton breach of the peace. In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service," so as to read:—

District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen biennially, by the citizens at the municipal election; but the General Assembly may require said boards to be appointed in such manner as it may by law provide. Laws regulating the appointment of said boards may be enacted to apply to cities only: Provided, That such laws be uniform for cities of the same class. Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector, and each inspector shall appoint one clerk. The first election board for any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled, as shall be provided by law. Election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election, and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns, except upon warrant of a court of record, or judge thereof, for an election fraud, for felony, or for wanton breach of the peace. In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service.

Amendment Eight—To Article Twelve, Section One.

Section 9. Amend section one, article twelve, which reads as follows:—

"All officers, whose selection is not provided for in this Constitution, shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law," so as to read:—

All officers, whose selection is not provided for in this Constitution, shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law: Provided, That elections of State officers shall be held on a general election day, and elections of local officers shall be held on a municipal election day, except when, in either case, special elections may be required to fill unexpired terms.

Amendment Nine—To Article Fourteen, Section Two.

Section 10. Amend section two of article fourteen, which reads as follows:—

"County officers shall be elected at the general elections and shall hold their offices for the term of three years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election, and until their successors shall be duly qualified; all vacancies not otherwise provided for, shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law," so as to read:—

County officers shall be elected at the municipal elections and shall hold their offices for the term of four years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election, and until their successors shall be duly qualified; all vacancies not otherwise provided for, shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law.

Amendment Ten—To Article Fourteen, Section Seven.

Section 11. Amend section seven, article fourteen, which reads as follows:—

"Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and every third year thereafter; and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected; any casual vacancy in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled, by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur, by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled," so as to read:—

Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven and every fourth year thereafter; and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected; any casual vacancy in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled, by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur, by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled.

Schedule for the Amendments.

Section 12. That no inconvenience may arise from the changes in the Constitution of the Commonwealth, and in order to carry the same into complete operation, it is hereby declared, that—

In the case of officers elected by the people, all terms of office fixed by act of Assembly at an odd number of years shall each be lengthened one year, but the Legislature may change the length of the term, provided the terms for which such officers are elected shall always be for an even number of years.

The above extension of official terms shall not affect officers elected at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight; nor any city, ward, borough, township, or election division officers, whose terms of office, under existing law, end in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

In the year one thousand nine hundred and ten the municipal election shall be held on the third Tuesday of February, as heretofore; but all officers chosen at that election to an office the regular term of which is two years, and also all election officers and assessors chosen at that election, shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven. All officers chosen at that election to offices the term of which is now four years, or is made four years by the operation of these amendments or this schedule, shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. All justices of the peace, magistrates, and aldermen, chosen at that election, shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen. After the year nineteen hundred and ten, and until the Legislature shall otherwise provide, all terms of city, ward, borough, township, and election division officers shall begin on the first Monday of December in an odd-numbered year.

All city, ward, borough, and township officers holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments, whose terms of office may end in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven, shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of December of that year.

All judges of the courts for the several judicial districts, and also all county officers, holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments, whose terms of office may end in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven, shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January, one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3.

ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

PRIEST KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Wealthy Cleveland Man Also Dead in Fall Over Embankment.

Toledo, O., Aug. 10.—When an automobile plunged over a steep embankment on the Mitchaw road two and a half miles west of Sylvania, Charles W. Pohlmann, a wealthy Cleveland importer and merchant tailor, and Father George Vahey, pastor of Columbkills parish, Cleveland, were instantly killed beneath the car. Mrs. Charles W. Pohlmann, her daughter Florence and F. C. Dietzel, a Cleveland densit, were in the touring car, but were saved from injury by the high back of the tonneau.

The scene of the accident was at the Eley bridge. About twenty feet west of the bridge is a deep hole in the middle of the road, stretching nearly across it. The hole was full of water, and just after crossing the bridge Mr. Pohlmann guided his machine over to the left side of the road to avoid the the left side of the road to void the hole. The front wheel of the machine went over the edge of the embankment just as the rear wheel struck the edge of the hole in the road. The jumping of the rear wheels into the hole tossed the machine over the embankment.

Boys Lost Race With Death.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 10. — More than a score of men and women stood on the banks of White river and watched Hubert Staley, seventeen years old, and John Weston, aged nineteen, run a frantic race with death for 200 feet across the Monon railroad bridge. The race was a losing one for the young men, for before they had reached the end of the structure both were hurled to death by a passenger train. A companion of the boys, Herbert Jenkins, eighteen years old, reached the end of the bridge a few seconds ahead of the speeding train. Young Staley was carried 200 feet down the track, his body being scattered along the right of way, while Weston's body was thrown down the embankment.

Need In India.

C. V. Vickrey, the popular secretary of the Young People's missionary movement, has been visiting India, and in India Christian Endeavor he gives his impressions regarding our society work in that empire. Among other things he says: "If I were to indulge in comparison I should be tempted to say that, important as is the work of Christian Endeavor in the home land, it is even more important in India, where the need for Christian work in all forms is more urgent."

Looking Back Fifty Years

BY J. G. HICKS

Mapleton, as most of her citizens know it, compared with what a few can recall when allowing their thoughts to dwell on what it was in the year 1857, is somewhat of a surprise.

The gradual increase in population and the growth along industrial lines until there are no manufacturing centers in Pennsylvania nor in any other states along certain lines of industry that Mapleton is not known as the place where glass sand is largely quarried and manufactured, is worthy of note. It is acknowledged that the sand in this vicinity is of the very best possible quality for the making of high grade glass, exceeding many if not all other localities in this particular product which enters so largely into all branches of the commercial life of the commonwealth.

The writer has gleaned his information in conversation with several of the older citizens who were residents of the village and vicinity at the period mentioned, fifty years ago, and there is but one who was a resident at that time in what now comprises the Borough of Mapleton who is still a citizen of what has grown from a small beginning as known by him to one of importance in the industrial world. Others who were residents of the township of Union which then covered the entire ground from which the borough was in after years incorporated have also contributed to the material from which we hope to interest the readers in the growth and advancement, step by step, from a riverside farm to a bustling manufacturing village of which we have reason to be proud and whose future if noted by those who may be here when the next fifty years have rolled around we have every reason to believe and predict will fully demonstrate by its growth that the first half century of its existence was but the preparatory state for greater industrial activity; such confidence have we in the resourcefulness of these everlasting hills which Dame Nature has so profusely piled up around our borders to further enhance the commercial value, prosperity and growth along all lines.

A backward glance over the half contury with our mind's eye picturing the surroundings as they really were in the year mentioned on the banks of the famous Blue Juniata in this part of Union township, we see but four houses. One stood on the site where the home of Joseph P. Wilson now stands. This was built in 1840 by Jonahan Montague and in part this house is the same as stood there at that time, being remodeled by successive owners. Another now owned and occupied by Mrs. M. E. Evans was built in 1850 by George Beatty. A small wooden structure on the lot adjoining that property was built and occupied by Robert McCarl and family in the summer and 1855. This building was intended for temproary use only but the owner never built any other on that lot as it was sold to Jeremiah Bauman in 1864 during the absence of McCarl in the Civil War. It came into possession of W. H. Rex after the death of Mr. Bauman who was an uncle of Mr. Rex. The latter gentleman lived on this property during his lifetime, having erected thereon a beautiful residence and a large storeroom both of which were destroyed by fire in the year 1895. This lot was bought in 1903 by R. N. McCarl, a son of Robert McCarl, who as a babe came to the home of his parents in the small building thereon in 1855. Mr. McCarl built a commodious home on the site and now occupies it with his family. The Pennsylvania Railroad foreman's house was built in 1850 and stood a short distance east of the present freight warehouse. It was first occupied by Mr. John Hamilton, the foreman at that time. This house was moved a few years ago to the southeastern corner of the Railroad Company's plot of ground and is now occupied by Mr. David Hawk and family, the present foreman. Another house of those early days was a log structure built by Thomas Beard in 1839 and stood near where Mr. John Lamberson and family now reside on Spring street. This was long ago demolished.

Squire A. W. Swope, a carpenter and undertoker, in 1857 moved into this part of Union township. In that year he built for himself a house on the lot North of the railroad. This house still stands and is owned and occupied by William Matthews and family. The Squire not then having the title which for the last forty-nine years he has so acceptably qualified, previous to moving into this community had built the small school building which still stands at the head of Main and Callowhill streets in which the first school was held in what is now the borough. Miss Arminta Wolverton of Cassville, (now Mrs. William McDonald, of Huntingdon,) first taught in this building. Her father, Mr. Isaac Wolverton, was then a resident of that historical little town following his trade of pumpmaker and was well known throughout this section. He later moved to Mill Creek and many wooden pumps still may be seen which were the handiwork of this sturdy craftsman. After contractor Swope finished the school building in 1856, (coming from his home in Hare's valley on the prcperty now owned and occupied by the widow of George M. Dell,) a term of summer school was taught by the lady mentioned, after which she was engaged to conduct the first regular session of township school held in the building, the term being four months, which at that time was considered a great advance along educational lines. The second term was taught by Mr. John Stonebraker, during 1857. This gentleman was the father of the present postmaster of our nefghboring village of Mill Creek. After teaching several terms, Mr. Stonebraker became an empleyee of the Pennsylvania Railroad and was for a number of years agent for that company at Altoona.

No industries of any kind were at that time in sight and no thought came to the citizens of the future industrial activity which was to materialize in this section; especially did they lack any suspicion that from the surrounding hills which at that time were considered scarcely worth the taxes would come material to enrich the future owners and also bring comfort, joy and competency to hundreds of toilers.

Those who had time to seek recreation in mingling with others outside of their immediate family and friends were wont to stroll down to where the canal crossed the river on the iron aqueduct near where the present Jackstown water station of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company stands. The merry toot of the boatman's horn as he called the attention of the lock tender in close proximity to the aqueduct, the soft tinkling of the leader's bell as patiently and surely the boat with its load of merchandise and jolly crew of watermen were drawn into the lock all flood the memory with pleasant thoughts. There on the berme bank could always be found the ready listener to the latest item of news from the east and west. In those days our citizens did not have facilities for getting European cablegrams, enlarged to suit the various ideas of swell headed reporters, as appearing our in daily city papers these days, and placed before the country readers almost before the happenings really occur on the other side and mostly printed in a manner other than real. However, news as told and listened to with much interest from the favored few who had the opportunity to obtain it in their travels on the raging canal, largely comprised the sum total of all knowledge of the outside world then obtainable by the residents of this and other interior sections of the state.

We find our pioneer builder and contractor, A. W. Swope, and his apprentice, H. H. Swope, being kept busy with others to help them in their efforts to have the town of Mapleton assume shape. A. W. Swope was the purchaser of the first building lot sold off the original farm property which afterward comprised the main part of the borough, at that time owned by Mr. Donaldson. After the beginning was made many other buildings began to appear. The summer and fall of '57 saw the building erected, now the residence of M. L. Rex, and also the building opposite now occupied as a barber shop by L. F. Baker and the dwelling of Mrs. John W. Baker. Peter M. Bare, father of Hon. John S. Bare, of Huntingdon, became the occupant of this building as soon as it was completed. Prior to this time Mr. Bare resided at what is now known as Latta Grove, having a saw-mill and small store at that place. The store he removed to Mapleton and he was appointed postmaster, having the distinction of being the first storekeeper as well as the first employee of Uncle Sam in this village. The residence of 'Squire Campbell, so well known throughout this part of the county, was a land mark standing near the present location of the "Dug Out" schoolhouse in Union township. This residence dates back many years beyond the half century mark which limits this article, as did also the redoubtable General McComb at Jacktown, where the General in his pebble dashed mansion on the side of Old Jack's Mountain in the narrows, claimed to be monarch of all he surveyed and backed his claim in language at all times forcible. Near where the Mapleton works of the Pennsylvania Glass Sand Company now stands was a log house which at the time mentioned was occupied by Henry Long and family. The site of this building remains well marked, the logs of the structure having been razed to the ground within the past two years.

To be continued

Ship Sunk In Collision; Nine Perish.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 10.—The Gloucester (Mass.) fishing schooner Maggie and May, Captain Erick McCathran, was run down and sunk by the German schoolship Freya, Captain Haas sixty miles southeast of Halifax, and Captain McCathran and eight of the crew of the schooner were drowned. Four men were rescued. At the time of the collision a dense fog prevailed. The warship was going about eight knots an hour at the time of the accident. When the schooner was sighted the course of the ship was altered as quickly as possible, but a collision could not be averted.

Torn Artery Is Cleaned and Tied.

An operation that was performed upon the arm of Henry Z. Russell, a Honesdale banker, by Dr. Reed Burns, of Scranton, Pa., is said to be the first one of its kind in the United States Dr. Burns opened the arm, removed a large quantity of coagulated blood and tied the brachial artery, which was badly torn. The arm, although swollen to four times its normal size, is being nourished by the blood.

Two Dead In Mine Explosion.

Two men were killed and three probably fatally injured at the Knickerbocker colliery of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron company, about one mile east of Shenandoah. The accident was caused by an inrush of gas in the gangway of the Buck mountain vein, which was ignited while the miners were blasting.

Shuts Out Whisky Ads.

Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 10.—Judge John E. Winfield, of the Perryville circuit court, has declared the Lee bill, passed by the legislature of 1907, constitutional. This bill forbids liquor dealers sending circulars to, advertising in or soliciting business in prohibition counties.

Suicide In Rowboat.

Henry Weiner, a carpet weaver, sixty years old, was found dead in a rowboat along the Susquehanna shore in front of Harrisburg, Pa. A bottle of chloroform was beside him, and it is thought that he drank it to commit suicide. Weiner had been sick for a long time.

Drove Nail Into Brain, But Still Lives.

By taking a hammer and driving a long nail into his brain with one blow, Fred C. Niles, of Chenango Bridge, N. Y., tried to end his life. He was suffering from nervous trouble. The nail has been extracted and he may recover.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

The Latest Closing Prices In the Principal Markets.

PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR steady; winter extras, new, $3.40@3.55; Penna. roller, clear, $3.65@3.75; city mills, fancy, $5.75@5.90. RYE FLOUR quiet; per bbl., $4.20@4.30. WHEAT quiet; No. 2 red western, 98@98½c. CORN firm; No. 2 yellow, local, 86@86½c. OATS firm; No. 2 white, clipped, 67@67½c.; lower grades, 65c. HAY quiet; timothy, large bales, $15. PORK firm; family, per bbl., $18.50. BEEF steady; beef hams, per bbl., $27@28. POULTRY: Live firm; hens, 13½@14c.; old roosters, 10c. Dressed steady; choice fowls, 14c.; old roosters, 10c. BUTTER steady; extra creamery, 25c. EGGS firm; selected, 24@26c.; nearby, 21c.; western, 21c. POTATOES firm; new, per bbl., $2@2.50.

BALTIMORE—WHEAT strong and higher; No. 2 spot, $1.00⅛@1.00¼; steamer No. 2 spot, 96⅛ @ 96¼c.; southern, 96½@99¼c. CORN firm; southern, 82@85c. OATS firm; white, No 2, 64@64½c.; No. 3, 63@63½c.; No. 4, 61@62c.; mixed, No. 2, 61½@62c.; No. 3, 60@61c. BUTTER steady; creamery separator extras, 24c.; held, 19@20c.; prints, 25@26c.; Maryland and Pennsylvania dairy prints, 15@17c. EGGS firm; fancy Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia, 19c.; southern, 18c.

Live Stock Markets.

PITTSBURG (Union Stock Yards)—CATTLE steady; choice, $6.30@6.40; prime, $6@6.35. SHEEP steady; prime wethers, $4.60 @ 4.70; culls and common, $2 @ 3; lambs $4 @ 6.40; veal calves, $7@7.50. HOGS steady; prime heavies, $7@7.05; medium and heavy Yorkers, $7.05 @ 7.10; light Yorkers, $6.60; pigs, $6; roughs, $5@6.

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Did you notice what we are doing in young mens long pants suits? We have taken one lot 137 suits and reduced them to

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They are a nice line of dress suits, a great many black thibet suits in the lot, also a few blue serge suits left and the balance a neat lot of very dressy suits, sizes 13 to 18 years. Both single and double breast.

The price on the balance of our young mens line is cut in half on almost everything.

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We have put our entire line of mens and boys 50c shirts in the sale of 39c. This includes our entire line of work shirts, the two collar shirts and all, everything at 39c. All sizes from 12 to 18 and you can get just as many as you like. Any quantity of each size.

We have cut the price in half on all boys shirt waists.

$1 00 Ones Now 50c. 50c Ones Now 25.

Boys Short Pants Suits

$8.00	ones now	$4.00	$4.00	ones now	$2.00
7.00	" "	3.50	3.00	" "	1.50
6.00	" "	3.00	2.50	" "	1.25
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We have reduced our entire line of boys knee pants from

$1.50 and $1.00 to 50cents
The 50 cent ones to 25cents
The 25 cent ones to 15 cents

All ages, This includes a lot of high grade corduroy pants.

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